

Local Notes.

Arminius Lodge Election.

Arminius Lodge, No. 25, F. and A. M., has elected the following officers: Moritz Glaser, W. M.; William Berger, S. D.; Charles Gersdorff, J. D.; H. H. Gerdes, Secretary; H. T. Ries, Treasurer; H. Rotschilde, S. D.; A. Burklin, J. D.; Andrew J. Olin and F. Escherich, Stewards; E. Holzer, organist; and Charles Bischoff, Tiler; John Toense, H. Brandes, and William F. Meyers, proxies to Grand Lodge.

Two Centennial Committees.

Senator Hoar introduced Monday a resolution directing the President of the Senate and Speaker of the House to appoint a committee of five members, of the Senate and House of Representatives, to prepare a bill to carry out plans for the preparation of the celebration of the centennial of the City of Washington as Capital of the United States. The President is authorized to appoint a committee of five from the country at large to co-operate with both the Congressional and local committees.

Low Rates to New Orleans, La.—Southern Railway.

On account of annual meeting Southern Educational Association, New Orleans, La., December 27-30, 1898, the Southern Railway will sell tickets to that point at one fare for the round trip; tickets on sale December 25, 26 and 27, final limit January 9, 1899.

Pure Food Congress.

The local committee in charge of arrangements for the reception of the National Pure Food Congress, which convenes in this city January 18, met at the National Hotel Tuesday afternoon, Frank Hume presiding. There were about forty business men present. The Chairman was directed to appoint committees to carry out the wishes of the organization, and the finance committee will soon be selected to solicit contributions.

Reports from all sections of the country, read by Corresponding Secretary A. J. Wedderburn, show that greater interest than ever is being taken in the movement, and over 600 delegates are expected to attend. The Secretary was instructed to urge all business organizations and professions in the District to use their influence in securing the attendance of delegates from their branches throughout the country.

It was decided to abandon the proposition to hold a pure food exhibit in connection with the congress, as it was the sense of the meeting that the congress is not for that purpose.

A committee, consisting of Prof. Wiley of the Agricultural Department; Secretary Wedderburn, and Vice President Frank Hume, was given a hearing yesterday morning on behalf of the Broun pure food bill, introduced at the last session of Congress. The bill proposes that all adulterated food and drugs shall be so labeled.

Additional Dining Car Service, Southern Railway.

Commencing November 23, 1898, dining cars were inaugurated on Southern Railway "United States East Mail" trains, daily, the year round. This completes dining car service on the double daily trains of the Southern Railway to Florida, Atlanta and points south and southwest. Attention is called to the fact that no stop will be made for meals between Washington and Charlotte, N. C.

To Rest in Arlington.

On the grassy slopes of picturesque and historic Arlington the Government is going to set aside a plot of ground for the burial of many of the brave boys in blue who fell in the forefront while battling under the flag at Santiago, or died from tropical disease in the white tents of Cuba.

The question of selecting a burial place for the soldier dead in Cuba, which had been under consideration for several days at the War Department was settled Tuesday in favor of Arlington. Beginning in February next, transports will bring to these shores the remains of the soldiers now filling temporary graves on the island. It is approximated that there are between 700 and 800 American soldiers sleeping their last sleep under those tropical skies. These will be inclosed in light iron caskets and brought to some southern port. There the remains claimed for private burial by relatives and friends will be turned over to them.

Then it is proposed that the transports with the unclaimed dead on board shall steam up the Potomac as far as possible, from whence the remains will be brought overland to Arlington.

The plot to be selected for the dead of the war with Spain will be separate from the place of burial of those who gave up their lives in the War of the Rebellion or during the era of peace.

It is also proposed that an imposing monument suitably inscribed, shall mark the last resting place of the dead from Cuba, and that the white marble headstones shall give their names and the regiments in which they fought for human rights and Cuba libre.

The bodies of the soldiers buried at Montauk Point will be reinterred in a selected plot on Cypress Hill, Brooklyn.

HOLIDAY RATES.

Baltimore & Ohio Railroad.

On account of the Christmas and New Year Holidays the Baltimore and Ohio R. R. will sell excursion tickets at greatly reduced rates to and from points on its line between Baltimore, Pittsburgh, Wheeling, Parkersburg, Strasburg Junction and intermediate points, go d going December 23, 24, 25 and 31, 1898, and January 1, 1899, good to return until January 4, 1899, inclusive.

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Swelling the Ranks.

The 300 members of the recently organized Business Men's Association of Washington gathered at a social and quasi business meeting in Willard Hall last Monday night, and strengthened their union by adding a hundred new names to the membership roll. The

gathering was noticeable for the dominant spirit of progress and activity derived from the individuality of the members, the energetic, representative business men of the Capital City. There was no lack of that energy with which the organization started out several weeks ago to build up a strong organization of commercial interests, and the first purpose of the association, to bring the business men of the District into more friendly intercourse and closer social relationship, was effected admirably.

Many of the enrolled members brought a business friend to the meeting, with the result that, when the Board of Directors were ready to consider applications for membership, one hundred new names were submitted and passed upon, and the annual dues of \$5 were collected from each, swelling the fund for the perpetuation of the association and the unification of the business interests of Washington.

William S. Knox, the President of the association, called the meeting to order, and, after briefly outlining for the benefit of the new comers the purposes of the organization, he referred to a recently expressed opinion that the Business Men's Association stood antagonistic to the Board of Trade. This President Knox denied. There was to be no conflict of interests, but the Business Men's Association was to assist the Board of Trade and work in unity with its purposes and objects. The paramount purpose of the association, said Mr. Knox, was to make the interests of all business men of Washington a common interest.

Conrad H. Syme, the attorney of the association, was called upon, and in response he stated that the association desired to permeate every business in the District, and to make it possible for every business man to gravitate at certain times to one center, where they could meet, shake hands, and exchange ideas to mutual advantage.

Mr. W. S. McKean, secretary of the association, announced that the proposed peace carnival, to be held in May, 1899, was already an assured success.

INFORMATION FOR BREWERS AND OTHERS.

Cyrus E. Hodde, representative of the Anheuser Busch Brewing Association, has started upon a trip in the interests of his employers, which will include a visit to the Hawaiian Islands, the Philippine Islands, China, Japan, Australia and the South African colonies.

Blatz Brewing Company Takes Three Medals.

Two gold and a silver medal have been awarded to the Val. Blatz Brewing company on its products by the Trans Mississippi and International exposition at Omaha, which has recently been brought to a successful conclusion. The gold medals were awarded to the Val. Blatz export beer, and to the Val. Blatz Malt Vivine, for quality, in competition with the world, and the silver medal was awarded on the general display of products made by the company at the exposition. The managers of the Brewing company are much elated over the awards, as they have a right to be, for their products were not only brought into direct competition with the leading brewing companies of this, but those of many of the countries of the Old World.

The medals are circular in form, the center figure, in relief, being that of Commerce, with factories, railroads, mines and other suggestions of the industries of the country in the background. On the reverse is a wreath of laurel, and in the center the nature of the award is engraved. The gold and silver medals are alike in design, and are about two inches in diameter. The Malt-Vivine, upon which the company is awarded a gold medal, is a non-intoxicating tonic, prepared to retain all the strength of the hops and malt by a process which is known alone to the Blatz company.

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Double Daily Service to and from Aiken, S. C.—Southern Railway.

The Southern Railway announces, effective November 5, 1898, double daily service between New York, Baltimore, Philadelphia, Aiken, S. C., Pullman sleeping cars and day coaches; also dining car service in both directions on both trains. Trains leave Washington 11.15 A. M. and 10.45 P. M. Similar service to Augusta, Ga. Winter tourist tickets now on sale.

Important Announcement to Our Patrons.

The Editor of this paper announces to his friends and patrons, and particularly to those engaged in technical branches, that he has associated with him HON. R. G. DYKESWORTH, Ph. D., late Commissioner of Patents, who, as a graduate of a German polytechnic school, was, for many years previously, an Examiner and Examiner-in-chief of the Patent Office, having charge of various divisions of mechanical and chemical technology, and is well known in this country and in Europe as an able and skillful patent lawyer, expert, and solicitor of great experience.

All matters for examination as to novelty and patentability, and for the obtaining of patents, for opinions on the scope and validity of patents, and, generally, any matter with reference to patents, trade-marks, designs, labels, prints and copyrights, should be sent to LOUIS SCHADT, Sentinel Patent Office, No. 304 E. Street, N. W., Washington, D. C.

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